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In re Application of:)
HIROSHI SATO)
Application No.: 09/300,845)
Filed: April 28, 1999)
For: PROJECTION EXPOSURE)
APPARATUS AND DEVICE)
MANUFACTURING METHOD USING)
THE SAME)

Examiner: H. Lee
Group Art Unit: 2877
March 26, 2001

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

Further to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 26, 1999, and to comply with the duty of disclosure under 37 CFR 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed PTO-1449 Form. Copies of the listed documents are also enclosed.

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These documents were cited in an Office Action (copy enclosed) dated December 18, 2000, issued in connection with a corresponding Korean patent application.

(1) Japanese patent document No. 7-29816 relates to a projection aligner and the fabrication of a semiconductor element employing it.

(2) Japanese patent document No. 6-244083 relates to an illumination optical device.

Applicant requests that the Examiner consider the cited information and return an initialed copy of the enclosed PTO-1449 Form indicating that such information has been considered.

Enclosed is a check for one hundred eighty dollars (\$180.00) for payment of the fee associated with filing this paper. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency in or credit any overpayment of this fee to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010.

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Respectfully submitted,

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